



Multi-use Pathway Connector Linking the Cape Cod Rail Trail to Cape Cod Bay





DCR – Town of Brewster Public Meeting

Wednesday, October 18, 2017 – 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. Brewster Town Hall, 2198 Main Street, Brewster, MA 02631



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DCR Mission Statement

To protect, promote and enhance our common wealth of natural, cultural and recreational resources for the well-being of all.





Purpose of Meeting

- To present preliminary design concepts for a multiuse pathway connector extending from the Cape Cod Rail Trail to Cape Cod Bay.
- To obtain early public input on this proposed preliminary design.





Partnership Project

 The Town of Brewster apply for and received a 2 to 1 matching grant from the DCR to support the design and permitting for this project





Project Goals

- Create a multi-use, bicycle and pedestrian, off-road, pathway connection between the Cape Cod Rail Trail / Nickerson State Park and Cape Cod Bay.
- Help relieve parking pressures at Linnell Landing and Crosby Landing.
- Work to minimize environmental, leaseholder and neighborhood impacts through the project.





Project History

- Concept that has been discussed for many years by DCR planning and the Town of Brewster
- Town of Brewster applied for a DCR Partnership Matching Grant - 2016
- Town warrant supporting funding
- DCR's on-call trail design and permitting consultant
 Stantec engaged Spring of 2017
- Completed survey, environmental assessment and preliminary design - Summer, 2017
- Initial public input meeting October, 2017
- Revisions and final design Winter, 2017/18





Consultant



- Full-service, multidiscipline design firm
- Recognized regional leader in trail projects
 - Over 500 miles of share use paths in planning, design or already constructed
- Design Team:
 - Stantec Shared-use path design
 - SMC Survey & basemapping preparation
 - Woods Hole Group Resource flagging and permitting







Project Overview





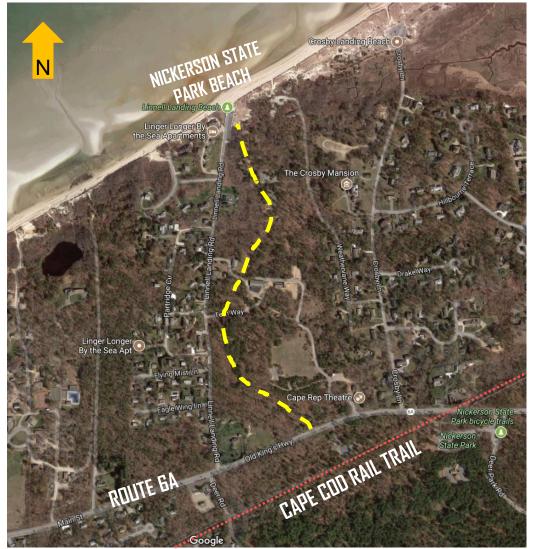


Guiding Principles for Design

- 10-foot wide, multi-use, fully accessible pathway
- Maximum grades of 5% to ensure accessibility
- Safe crossing of Route 6A
- Avoid / minimize impacts to Cape Rep Theater operations and Crosby Mansion
- Avoid wetland impacts

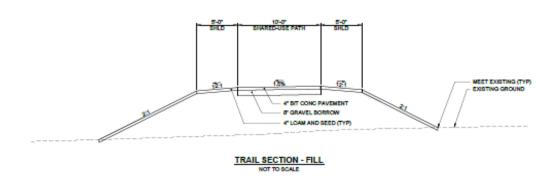


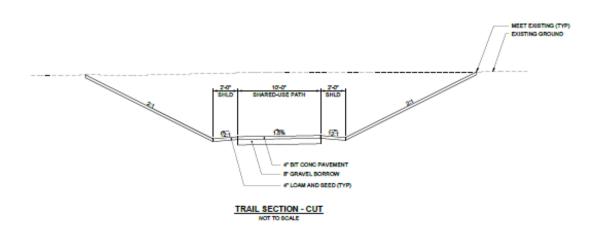






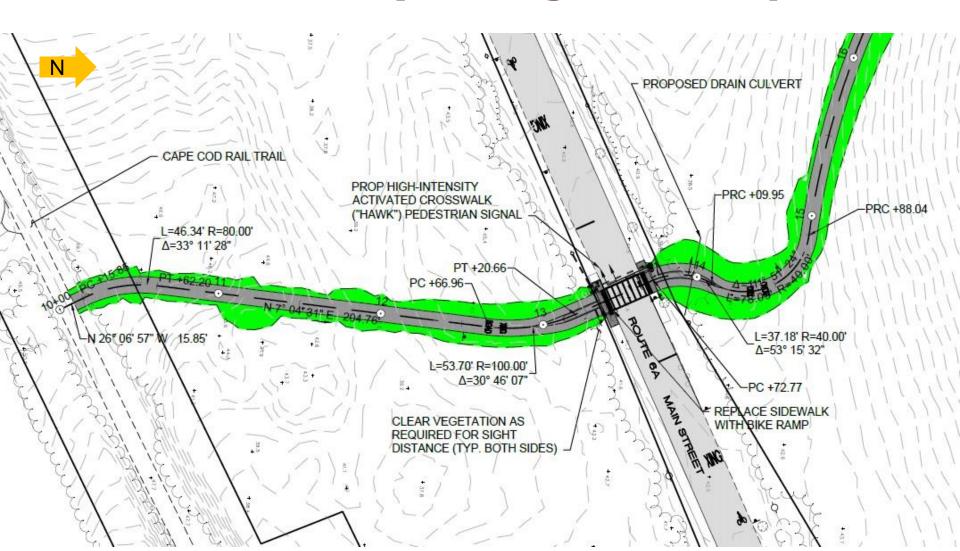
















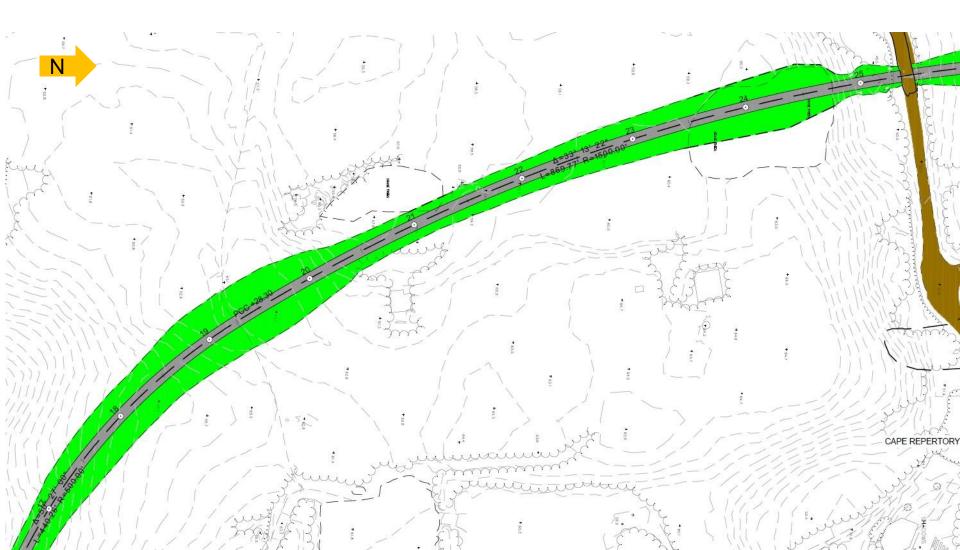
Route 6A Crossing – Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon (formerly referenced as a HAWK signal)





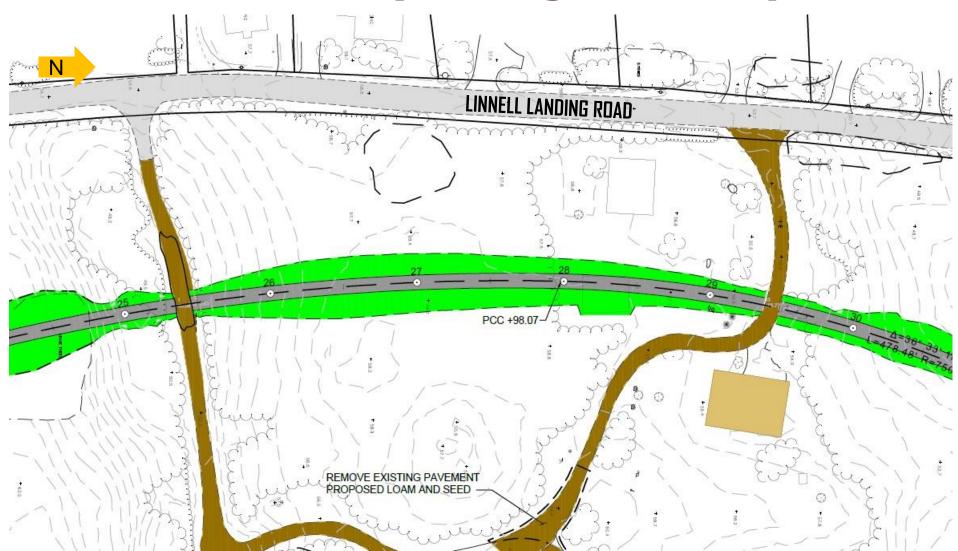






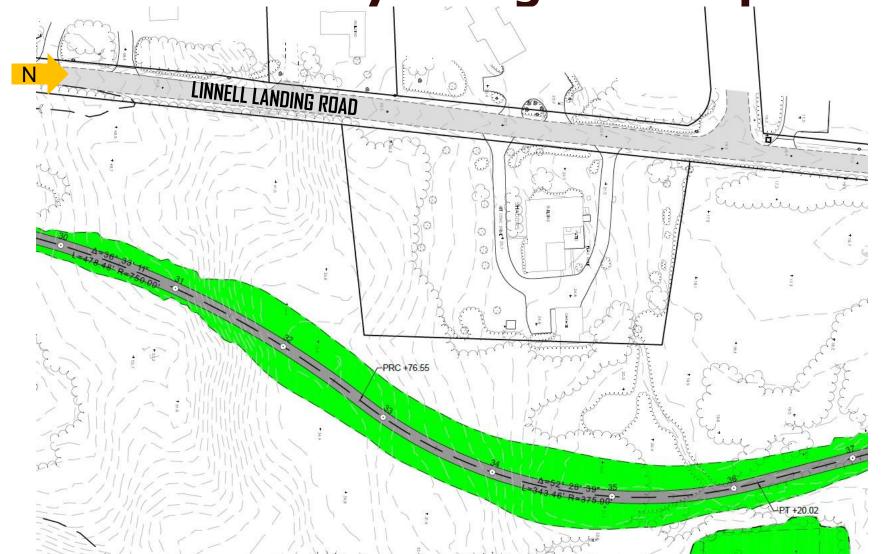






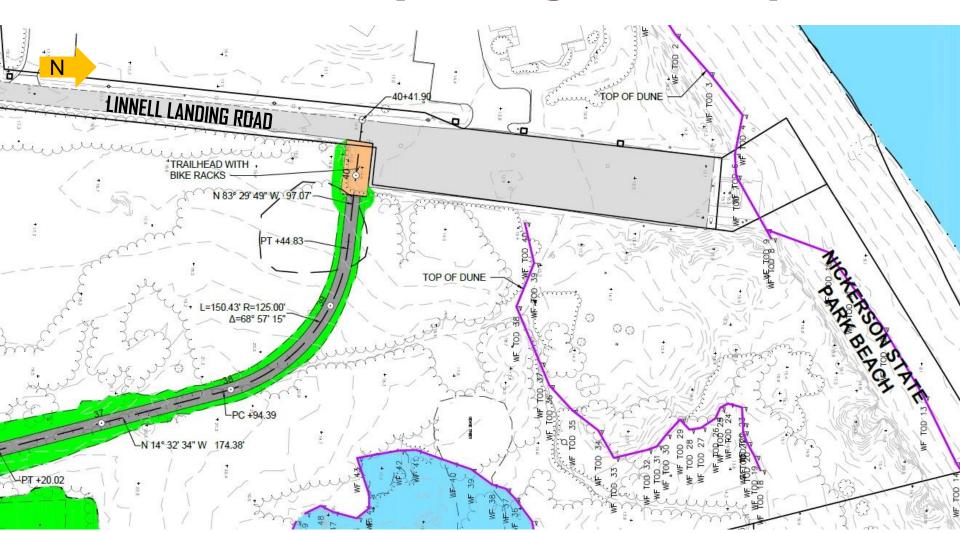








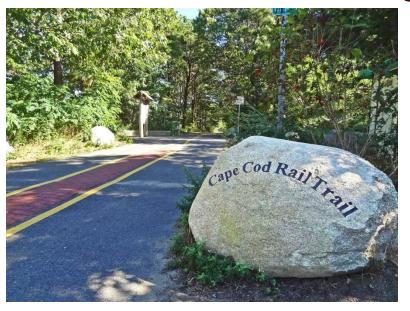




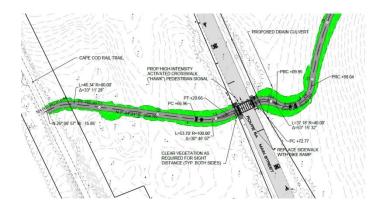




Q&A













Next Steps

- Public comment period –
 October 18, 2017 November 2, 2017.
- Plan revisions and final design Winter, 2017/18
- Posted on DCR and Town Wed Pages
- Permitting:
 - Conservation Commission
 - Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program
 - Planning Board
 - Old Kings Highway Historic District
- Construction: Pending approval and identification of funding



Additional Information

For more information:

https://www.mass.gov/service-details/brewster-trail-connection-partnership-project

If you have comments or suggestions on this project:

Submit online:

https://www.mass.gov/forms/dcr-public-comments

Write: Department of Conservation and Recreation

Office of Public Outreach

251 Causeway Street, Suite 600

Boston, MA 02114

Deadline: Wednesday, Thursday, November 2, 2017

If you wish to subscribe to a DCR general information or project-related listserv: contact DCR's Office of Community Relations at 617-626-4973 or Mass.Parks@state.ma.us.